



PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Ervin K. VanDenberg

Serial No: 10/017,823

Examiner: Draper, D.

Filed: 12/7/2001

Art Unit: 3616

Confirmation No.: 7542

For: LIFT AXLE SUSPENSION SYSTEM UTILIZING  
DIAPHRAGM CHAMBERS

Docket: 1804-A

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT "A"**

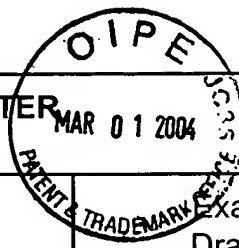
In response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2003, the Applicant respectfully requests the entry of the following amendments.

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# **AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER** **Under Small Entity Status**

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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

## **CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	39	MINUS	39	0	\$9.00	\$0
INDEP. CLAIMS	16	MINUS	3	13	\$43.00	\$559

Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of \_\_\_\_\_ to and through \_\_\_\_\_, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:

\_\_\_\_\_ one month \$55      \_\_\_\_\_ three months \$475      \_\_\_\_\_ five months \$1005  
\_\_\_\_\_ two months \$210      \_\_\_\_\_ four months \$740

**TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT**

**\$559.00**

☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

\_\_\_\_\_ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☒ A check in the amount of \$ 559.00 is attached.

\_\_\_\_\_ Charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ No additional fee is required.

2-25-04  
Date

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I hereby certify that this correspondence and all correspondence identified as accompanying this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on 2/25/2004

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